

Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the Application.

Listing of the Claims:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented) A therapeutic method for treating blepharitis, post-operative inflammation and pain from corneal transplant surgery, endophthalmitis, episcleritis, keratitis, keratoconjunctivitis, keratoconjunctivitis sicca, post-operative inflammation and pain from lens implantation surgery, Mooren's ulcer and post-operative inflammation and pain from retinal detachment the method comprising administering an ocular COX-2 mediated disorder-effective amount of a COX-2 inhibitor compound or prodrug thereof, selected from the group consisting of celecoxib, deracoxib, valdecoxib, parecoxib, a benzopyran COX-2 inhibitor, rofecoxib, etoricoxib, 2-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-3-[4-(methylsulfonyl)-phenyl]-2-cyclopenten-1-one and 2-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-4-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutoxy)-5-[4-(methyl-sulfonyl)-phenyl]-3(2H)-pyridazinone, JTE-522, DuP 697, ABT-963, and L-776,967.

Claim 2-3 (Canceled)

Claim 4. (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor is celecoxib.

Claim 5 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor is deracoxib.

Claim 6 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor is valdecoxib.

Claim 7 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor is a benzopyran COX-2 inhibitor.

Claim 8 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor is rofecoxib.

Claim 9 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor is etoricoxib.

Claim 10 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor is 2-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-3-[4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-2-cyclopenten-1-one.

Claim 11 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor is 2-(3,4-difluorophenyl)-4-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutoxy)-5-[4-(methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-3(2H)-pyridazinone.

Claim 12 (Canceled)

Claim 13 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the prodrug of the COX-2 inhibitor is parecoxib.

Claim 14 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the ocular COX-2 mediated disorder is Mooren's ulcer.

Claim 15 (Previously Amended) The therapeutic method of Claim 1 wherein the COX-2 inhibitor further comprises one or more ophthalmically acceptable excipient ingredients that reduce the rate of removal of the composition from the eye by lacrimation such that the composition has an effective residence time in the eye of about 2 to about 24 hours.

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Claim 16-39 (Canceled)